

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

POLLUTION REPORT


I. HEADING

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SUBJECT: Nearpara Rubber Co., Hamilton Township,  
Mercer County, New Jersey



POLREP : Five (5)

II. BACKGROUND

Site No.:	BZ
Delivery Order No.:	2001-02-016
Response Authority:	CERCLA
NPL Status:	Non-NPL
State Notification:	Yes
Action Memorandum:	Approved 9/93
Start Date:	10/14/93
Demobilization Date:	N/A
Completion Date:	N/A

III. SITE INFORMATION

The Nearpara Rubber Inc. facility is an inactive recycling/production facility, located in Mercer County, New Jersey. The site was formerly a tire, rubber and latex recycling facility which produced rubber and latex products from recycled materials. (Refer to previous POLREPs for more detailed site information.)

#### IV. RESPONSE INFORMATION

##### A. Planned Removal Actions

The Nearpara Rubber site removal action will be divided into two phases. Phase 1 will consist of stabilizing, identifying and quantifying all waste materials on site. Phase 2 will include the transportation and proper disposal of the hazardous materials located on site.

##### B. Situation

###### 1. Current Situation

Site security will continue throughout the duration of the removal action. Most of the drums, above ground tanks, vats, sumps, underground tanks and transformers located at the Nearpara site have been sampled for characterization and field compatibility testing. Drums have been stabilized, restaged, inventoried and sampled. Laboratory chemicals have been removed from the laboratory, staged in the warehouse, and inventoried. Miscellaneous smaller containers, scattered about the site, have been gathered and segregated along with the laboratory chemicals in the warehouse.

###### 2. Removal Actions to Date

Sampling of the remaining tanks, sumps, vats and process equipment has been completed. Preparations for compatibility field testing for samples have been completed. Considerations for removing or reducing fire hazards located at the site are on going. These include the removal and recycling of cardboard, recycled rubber, latex and used tires.

The pressurized vessel at the front of the property has been investigated and was found to contain an unknown gas which is believed to be inert. Work on draining the transformers on site of their PCB contents has been initiated and is expected to be completed by the end of this week.

###### 3. Enforcement

Information regarding potentially responsible parties (PRP) from label information and site records will be reviewed. The information will be used to determine potential enforcement actions.

C. Next Steps

Activities discussed under Removal Actions To Date will continue.

Once compatibility testing has been completed, bulking samples will be composited and sent for laboratory analysis. Laboratory results will be used to determine disposal options.

Further surveying is on going. Asbestos-containing piping insulation has been located throughout parts of the process building. Sampling and verification of asbestos content will be conducted through laboratory analysis. Process vessels will be investigated further to determine if further sampling needs to be addressed.

D. Key Issues

none.

V. Cost Information (Up to 11/24/93)

	<u>Cost To Date</u>
EPA costs:	\$ 20,000
ERCS costs:	\$ 82,400
TAT costs:	\$ 11,800
TOTAL Costs to Date:	\$ 114,200

Note:

All costs listed are approximate and should be used for estimates only.